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Cup put on ice

Snowmobile race cancelled for 2009

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

There will be no snowmobile races on Head Lake this March.

Highland Cup organizer Harold Foyster has had to cancel the event because of a lack of sponsorship.

"It's better to do it now than a month from now when the hotels are booked," he told the *Echo*.

It costs about \$30,000 to get the event up and running. Last year the event lost \$18,000, much of the money coming out of Foyster's pocket. This year he's \$10,000 shy of having enough cash to start preparing for the races. Many of the potential sponsors are wary about the economy and didn't want to make the financial commitment. "They're watching their pennies," he says.

Yet many of the costs are fixed, such as the winners' purse, insurance, sanction fees, paying to have an ambulance on standby and hay for the course.

"It's too big a gamble," Foyster says of why he's not willing to risk his own money for a second year.

If he could be guaranteed good weather on the weekend of the event - no rain or blizzards to

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MATT JAMES/ECHO

A day after Team Canada's exciting 5-4 win over the Russians to earn a spot in yesterday's gold medal final, Haliburton Lake cottager Cody Hodgson listens to coach Pat Quinn during an off-day practice. The Canadian juniors are as cool as the ice beneath their feet and the mood on the ice at practice was light and playful. See tomorrow's *Minden Times* for the write up on the gold medal game.

Cody Hodgson takes on the world

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Playing in meaningful hockey games is nothing new for Cody Hodgson. Even as a kid the teams he played on always went to the finals. Well, his new team - Team Canada - has done it again.

On January 3 Canada's best young hockey players made an improbable comeback in the game that would determine whether they'd get a chance to win a fifth World Juniors gold medal for their country. But it

wasn't before giving up the lead four times and being down by a goal with 3:20 remaining in the game against their Russian opponents.

In the dying seconds, with the Canadian goaltender Dustin Tokarski on the bench and the Canadians in the Russians' zone, Hodgson lifted the stick of a Russian player enabling John Tavares to get the puck to the front of the net where Jordan Eberle made a slick move to tie the game at five with five - yes five - seconds left.

With little in the tank for ei-

ther team, a 10-minute overtime solved nothing. The game went to a shootout and the skills of Eberle and Tavares would be all the Canadians needed for a 6-5 shootout win.

For any hockey fan it was an unbelievable experience. And sitting just rows from the Canadian bench, not missing any of the action since their son made the team, were Hodgson's parents, Marie and Chris.

"It was noisy in there I can tell you that much, my head was ringing," laughed Chris, the former MPP for Halibur-

ton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock and cabinet minister in two Mike Harris governments. "The place was rockin'."

Marie, on the other hand, was just happy with the positive outcome.

When asked how they dealt with their emotions at intense situations like that, Chris said matter-of-factly, "We're just used to it."

Eighteen-year-old Cody, who spends his summers at the family's cottage on Haliburton Lake,

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New Year's reveller steals hot tub time

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Note to wannabe hot tub bandits: if you want to steal some time in someone else's hot tub, make sure you don't leave your pants behind, especially if your wallet is still in one of the pockets.

A couple returned to their home in Haliburton village early in the morning of January 1 and decided to marvel at the beautifully starry sky from the warm comfort of their hot tub.

The husband climbed in first but soon felt he wasn't alone. Lurking about in the bottom of the water were

some pieces of clothing. He reached down and pulled out several soggy items, including a pair of jeans.

Since the temperature was below the -20° mark, the couple started to worry: had their arrival home scared off the visitor, who was now in danger of freezing to death because all his clothes were in the hot tub?

They called the police and an officer came to the house a short time later. Investigation into who owned the jeans was easy – the wallet with all of the owner's identification was in a pocket.

The police were able to determine that the hot tub joy-rider had been visiting neighbours (there were footprints in the snow) and had safely returned to the warm indoors. The young man later apologized to the couple.

Reward for stolen snowmobiles

Thieves took advantage of last week's power outage to steal two snowmobiles from a garage that had an electronic security system.

Owner Janis Parker is offering a cash reward for information that leads to the return of the two 600 cc 2008 Ski-Doo's.

"It was well planned and they were going for the snowmobiles only," she says. "The power was out due to the windstorm so the security system was not working. The thieves broke a window to get in, drove the snowmobiles out to the end of the driveway and loaded them on a truck they had waiting."

The Parkers live at the end of a cottage road on Kennis Lake and a neighbour was awakened by the sound of a noisy trailer going by at three in the morning on Tuesday, December 30. The theft was discovered that day, along with fresh footprints around the garage.

The snowmobiles were put in the garage on December 16. For a variety of reasons, Parker had not yet insured the snowmobiles for the season.

Anyone with information about the theft of the snowmobiles is asked to call the Haliburton Highlands OPP at 286-1431.

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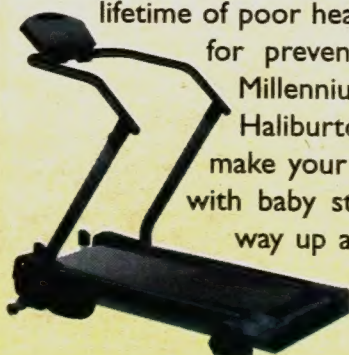
LOOKING FINE IN 2009!

Fit tip of 2009!

By Heather Seabrooke
Special to The Haliburton Echo



Do not make a New Year's Resolution to diet. Make instead a resolution to get fit and be healthy. Throw away the fashion magazines. Turn off the E Talk Hollywood News and forget size 0! (who came up with that anyway) Let 2009 be the year of lifestyles changes. Thirty to sixty minutes of cardio/strength training five days a week along with healthier food choices and you have a happy heart, lower cholesterol levels, less chance of type 2 diabetes, more energy etc. Now for everyone who says, "I am too busy," that's where I'd like to stop you and ask you to compare the investment of five hours a week now or a lifetime of poor health and doctor visits for preventable illnesses. Our Millennium Fitness team, in Haliburton is available to help make your goals a reality. Start with baby steps and work your way up and enjoy a healthier and happier 2009!



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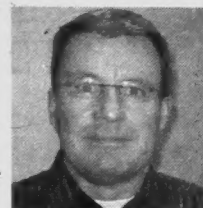




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Will we be fine in 2009?

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

While news of economic hard times continues to dominate headlines nation-wide, Haliburton County may be one of the best places to live and work as we enter what could be a tumultuous 2009.

Of course the county's inhabitants and business owners aren't immune to a weakening economy but the majority of the population isn't experiencing the same extent of worries of those who live in places that depend on the auto industry, for example.

So what can the county expect to see happen to the local economy in 2009?

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey is staying positive. While Fearrey doesn't believe the tough times have made an impact on the county just yet, he said if and when the tough times arrive the county as a whole will have to deal with the challenges. He added that preparing for those challenges today is in everyone's best interest.

"As we move forward there are going to be challenges and the best thing we can do is be positive and try and find every solution we can to resolve it," said the reeve.

Fearrey said that while 2008 was not a banner year he did feel that it was good to average. Of the looming tough times he said, "I don't think anybody knows what's happening here. So to be negative about it is easy. We've been through these downturns before and we'll get through them again."

Fearrey has been through times like these in the county before. In the early '80s, and again in the early '90s, there were economic woes. But there was still activity going on within the county.

When the economy weakens, the debate about whether to start saving more and spending less is always a hot topic.

"I think [people] should be cautious – more cautious – but not to the point of not spending," said Fearrey. "Supporting everything they can locally, that's critical."

So much depends on the weather

It's scary sometimes to think how dependent the county is on the weather.

Last winter the county received a total of 13.3 feet of snow and businesses owners such as the Bishop family were thankful for a second arrival of winter after the massive January thaw. Had that not occurred, the new equipment may not have been purchased.

January 3, 2009 was a record day at Sir Sam's Ski Area.

Chris Bishop said there were approximately 1,800 visitors to the hill on Friday and another 1,200 on Saturday.

Of the weakening economy Bishop said: "I think Haliburton is going to be fortunate because our clientele are cottagers and that's what makes up a good base of Haliburton [County's] business."

"Whether it's skiing or snowmobiling or spending money in the grocery stores, those people have decided to spend their time in Haliburton because they've already got their money invested in a cottage and they want to do those winter activities," he said.

Through conversations with his customers Bishop has learned that many families this year did not go west to the mountains for Christmas and aren't planning on going south of border for March Break.

Lower gas prices were also making trips to and from the cottage more affordable.

Already this year Bishop says they've lost two big days due to high winds and a power outage. And if it weren't for 10 days of mild weather prior to opening day they would have been able to make more snow and had the entire hill open rather than just three runs.

But it's a lot to bank on especially with global warming.

The Bishops have put even more dollars into advertising and marketing this year.

Sir Sam's has a television advertisement on CHEX TV, to target the Peterborough, Kawartha Lakes, and Durham Region markets and six new road signs have been erected around the county.

"People say when the economy goes bad you're supposed to spend more money on marketing and advertising, if you can afford to," said Bishop. "And it looks like it's paying off."

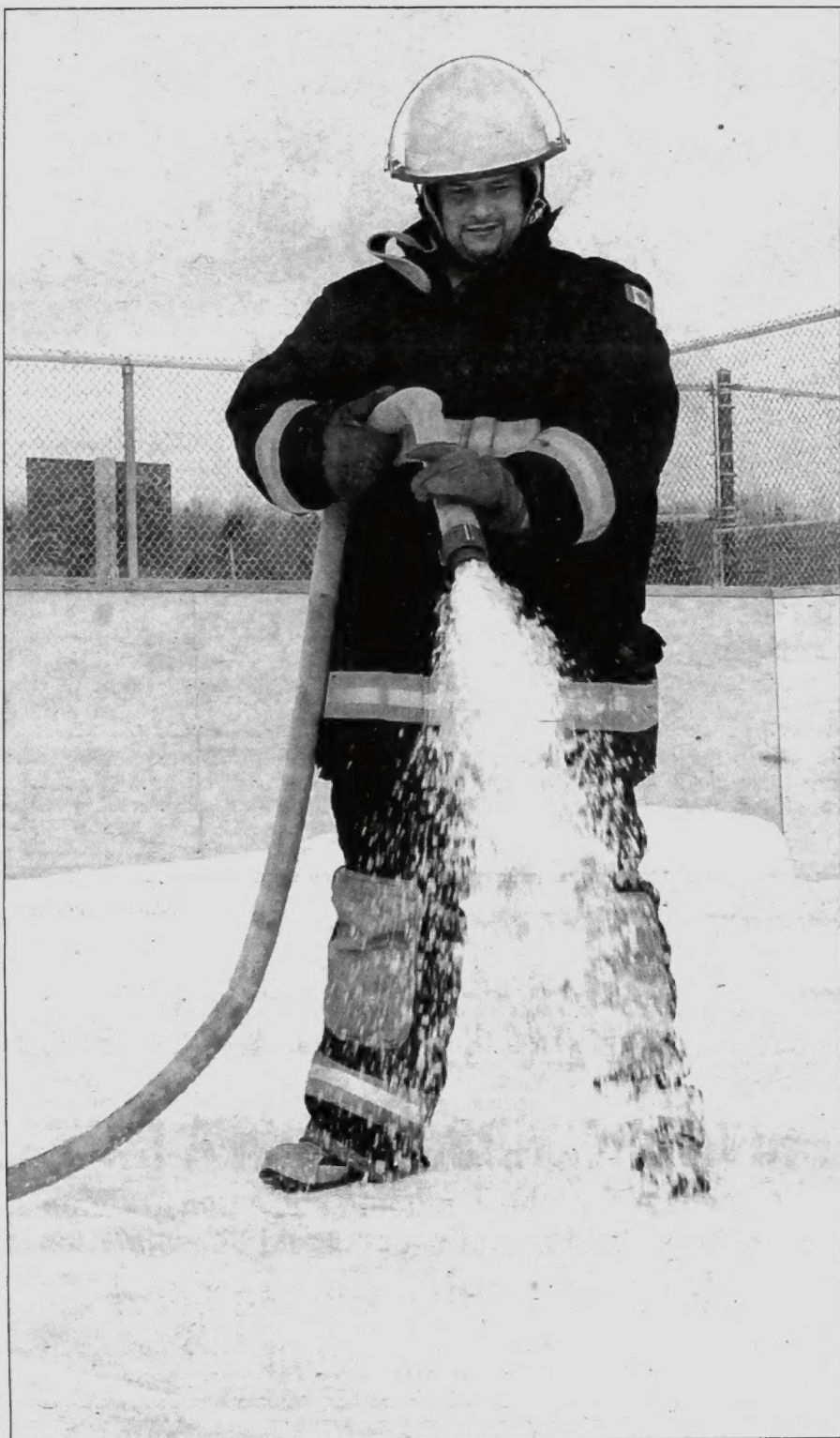
Haliburton Business Improvement Area president Andy Chvedukas said the association has had its first meeting of the year. "We haven't made any major plans yet," said Chvedukas, "but we are going to continue with our beautification projects and as always our main focus is to promote business downtown."

The BIA levy will focus on long-term improvements, cleanliness and businesses promotion in town.

While the beginning of 2009 is starting with a bit of an economic handicap Fearrey brought up a good point regarding the economy in Haliburton County.

"We're weather related but I think the important message for us is that there are several million people within a three-and-a-half-hour drive from here and [Haliburton County] is still a good place to come. The natural beauty here exceeds most places in Ontario and we've got to market that."

"There's still a lot of people out there who have a lot of money," said Fearrey. "And they're not just going to stay at home."



Volunteer firefighter Jason Boylan pumps thousands of litres of water onto the new outdoor skating rink in Gooderham.

Outdoor rink ready for ice up

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

If Mother Nature co-operates, Gooderham's future figure skaters and hockey stars will be practising their moves on an outdoor rink this week.

On Friday, Jason Boylan, his brother-in-law Brian Horner, father-in-law John Glass and fellow volunteer firefighter Kevin Murphy were pouring thousands of litres onto the new surface in front of the fire hall.

Halfway through the afternoon, they'd already transferred 14,000 litres of water from the nearby river to the outdoor rink. They had about twice that amount still to pour, and then they were counting on a few cold nights to turn the

water into ice.

They'd started a week earlier, trying to put the plastic bladder over the surface in 100 km winds. "We almost ended up in Wilberforce," Glass laughs.

He's volunteered most of the labour to build the boards surrounding the rink, which is the former tennis court. The supplies were bought using funds raised by the Gooderham LCBO for children's recreational program and Emmerston Lumber gave a discount on the supplies.

The boards will stay up permanently and the surface can be used for outdoor ball hockey and basketball.

The municipality of Highlands East is chipping in by dedicating manpower to keeping the ice surface clean after each snowfall.

Moving forward

A missed opportunity can't keep this hockey player down for long

Matt James

Staff Reporter

He said it was the most devastating thing he's ever been through.

Having your heart broken once is bad enough but having it broken twice in seven days is almost unbearable.

In the early hours of December 15 Matt Duchene received "the phone call" in his hotel room in Ottawa. He'd been cut from Team Canada's World Junior Championship team.

Seven days later Dana Tyrell, a forward who'd made the Team Canada, suffered a

knee injury in the opening warm-up game against Sweden and was unable to continue playing.

But it wasn't 17-year-old Duchene who would receive "the second call"; it was another 17-year-old, Evander Kane.

"It was hard," said Duchene. "They called a different guy because he was a winger."

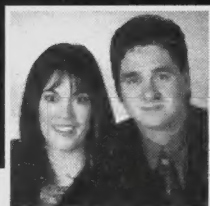
Duchene, a natural centreman, simply had too many challenges in his way and wasn't able to stand out as one of the five 17-year-olds trying out for the team. In years past the average age of the team has been closer to 19.

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MATT JAMES FILE PHOTO/ECHO

After being hugely disappointed by not earning a berth on the World Juniors team, Haliburton's Matt Duchene has focused his attention on getting goals for his Brampton Battalions. He's also been chosen as a top prospect.



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Duchene hopes to catch NHL scouts' eye

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A shoulder injury suffered in November didn't help. "I wasn't sharp," he says. "I think I still had a good chance but I didn't do anything out of the ordinary that made them want to take a chance on a 17-year-old. And that's what I needed to do and my game just wasn't at that level because of the shoulder injury."

"I had a point a game there so it could have gone either way. I know it I was very close so it was very disappointing at the end of the day."

Canada's World Junior team was picked with defence in mind and the coaching staff went with an eighth forward instead of the traditional 13th forward.

While Duchene has become a strong two-way player he agreed with the team's decision. "They took Ryan Ellis as sort of the eighth defenseman for playing the power play and he deserves it," said Duchene. "He's a magician back there and he can play on any power play at any level, so I understand their decision."

The comment says a lot about Duchene's character and it's that character that will drive him in the second half of the season.

When asked if not making the team motivated him he said, "Well, did you see the stats in the game tonight?"

Duchene had a goal and three assists in the Battalion's 5-4 shootout loss against the Erie Otters on December 28.

"I have never been this motivated in my life as I am now," said Duchene. "I think every now and then you need to light a fire under you and this definitely did. I'm not too worried about it anymore. I'd love to be in Ottawa with those guys but at the same time we have the

team back here and it's key that I play real well and score and set up goals whenever I can."

Top prospect

Duchene currently sits fourth on the International Scouting Services 2008/2009 NHL top prospects list and three days after being cut from the World Junior team he received a call for the Top Prospects game in Oshawa on January 13 and 14.

It is the 14th year for the Top Prospects game, which features Canadian Hockey League players eligible for the National Hockey League's 2009 Entry Draft. NHL Central Scouting and the league's 30 member clubs elect players who play in the game.

The Top Prospects game is a great chance for the top players to show their talents to the NHL scouts.

"It's going to be a really important game because there are going to be so many scouts," said Duchene. "But at the same time it's one game; it's not going to make or break your draft by the way you play in that game."

"Obviously it's important to play as well as you can but I'm just looking forward to the experience and playing with competition like that."

Duchene said the fact that the game will be broadcast on live television is also a lot of fun and "missing a week of school for it isn't so bad either," he said.

While it's only one game he knows that if he performs well it could help him get some attention regarding the NHL entry draft in June. But he says the scouts aren't just

looking at goals and assists.

"They want to see how you can adapt," he said. "It will show more about your character than about your play."

Another draw of the Top Prospects game this year is the two coaches, who are hockey gurus in their own rights. Don Cherry and Bobby Orr will be the bench bosses.

While the teams and coaches have not yet been determined Duchene is looking forward to playing for either of the two. Duchene met with Orr, a player agent, a few years ago, but he hasn't yet met the colourful Cherry.

"They're both legendary hockey figures and it's going to be pretty neat to be looking back behind you and see one of those two guys there," said Duchene.

Looking forward

Duchene said it's been a challenge playing without the skills of the Battalion's captain Cody Hodgson and his linemate Evgeny Grachev, who are in Ottawa playing in the World Junior Championship.

A tough December schedule along with injury and illness hasn't helped either. On Sunday the Battalion played their fifth game in eight days. In December the team went 3-5-1 and they've lost their first two games of 2009.

Duchene has registered at least one point in his last six games. He has scored 17 goals and earned 27 assists for 44 points in 29 games. He's also a plus 14. The Battalion are 23-13-1-1 on the season, first in the central division and second in the eastern conference behind the Belleville Bulls.

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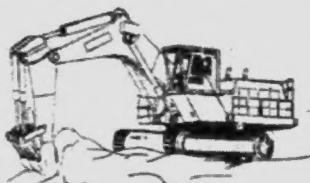
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Also, don't think that the conditions gripping the United States – unprecedented bank bail-outs, record-high mortgage foreclosures and revelations that Wall Street

was built with a house of cards – are what we're facing in Canada. Even the loss of manufacturing jobs in Ontario isn't an accurate portrayal of the challenges we're facing here in Haliburton.

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editorial

martha perkins

If the weather co-operates, we could have a strong winter. The numbers at Sir Sam's Ski Area seem to indicate that people are opting for getaways to the cottage rather than expensive trips elsewhere. The Canadian dollar isn't as low as the price of gas but it's still enough of a deterrent to those who might want to escape the snow. (Canadians can't even opt for Vancouver as a snow-free refuge this winter.)

Although the Highland Cup won't be giving the county a welcome boost of tourism dollars in March, both Minden and Haliburton are planning to make the most of the February long weekend. Each community has a carnival and there's the dogsled races to bring spectators to the Highlands as well. Since they all coincide with the province's new family day, getting away for a three-day weekend is all the more appealing.

Local politicians are holding their breath to see what comes out of the federal budget later this month. Last year it was the provincial government that was the source of financial largesse, pumping millions of dollars into the economy for road work and repairs. Now the federal government is under pressure to do something to stimulate the economy.

Let's hope the federal government thinks big. While it would be easy to spend the money on hundreds of small projects that provide short-term employment, let's also be dreamers. What are the projects that would not only provide jobs tomorrow but strengthen our economic foundation a decade from now? What future do we see for ourselves as a nation and as a community?

Here in Haliburton County, with our rocks, lakes and distance to markets, we're never going to build a manufacturing base. How long have we been saying "We need light industry that provides well-paying jobs that will keep our young people in the county and yet not hurt the environment?" As a mantra it has its merits but repeating it over and over again doesn't make it so.

Cottaging is the basis of our economy. It's a strength we have, not something we can only wish for. Let's build on it. Make it easier for people to get to their cottage and compel them to stay longer by making it possible to turn their deck into a virtual office.

Fresh ideas are welcome.



Riding the rails at Sir Sam's

Photo by Matt James

Only in Canada

SOMEWHERE IN AFGHANISTAN, a Canadian soldier has been brought up on murder charges for killing a suspected insurgent, who reportedly turned out to be innocent. While this is tragic, it surely is understandable in this war where the enemy is invisible, often hidden by these same innocent Afghans. Why are we Canadians so quick to punish ourselves? Could it be that we are still holding on to our nicer than thou image? This Mr. Nice Guy image is very hard on our soldiers. We have actually put our fighting folks in place under orders not to shoot unless someone shoots at them first!

"Okay, Sarg, let me see if I've got this right... I can't shoot at them until they shoot at me. Is that it?"

"Exactly. Any volunteers?"

Our government seems to be uneasy about acknowledging our armed forces' more heroic endeavours. They downplayed the efforts of our armed forces in the former Yugoslavia, when, under very bad odds, our forces vanquished an enemy superior in numbers and more familiar with the terrain by simply being better and smarter. The Canadians soldiers all survived this battle but came home to complete silence. When they spoke of it to their civilian friends, they were looked at with disbelief. No one at home had even heard of it. Eventually Governor-General Adrienne Clarkson issued a public apology and awarded medals to these brave Canadians. In some countries, they would have been welcomed home with a ticker-tape parade which I agree is over the top, but complete silence is just as wrong, methinks.

I guess it comes down to "We either have a military or we don't." If we have a fighting force, we have to be ready to let them do what they are trained to do. We spend a fortune on

F-18 Hornets, the finest fighter in the world, a smaller fortune on (sometimes previously-owned) submarines, and we train some of the best infantry in the world, and then have the nerve to tell them not to shoot until they are shot at! Come on, Canada. We can't have it both ways.

Don't get me wrong. The sooner countries stop fighting, the sooner the world will have a chance to survive a few more millennia. And

while Canada may have evolved to this peaceful state, it hasn't caught on yet with a lot of the rest of the world. Unfortunately, there are still countries that would just love it if the rest of the world disarmed and let them take over. And even more unfortunately, the only way the good guys will win out over (some of) the bad guys is by force. So we are presented with a conundrum that goes something like this: "If you guys don't become peaceful, we're going to blow you off the face of the earth."

Messy. But, unless the whole world suddenly becomes sane all at once, it's probably the way it will happen.

I was born just before the end of the Second World War so I remember some of the aftermath celebrations (vaguely). This was a war that had to be fought because one madman was intent on ruling the whole world. He almost succeeded. And once again, the Canadian Armed Forces fought gallantly and often heroically to help put an end to his plans. WWII was the last "good" war – the last war to have the backing of most of the world. We now have smaller wars but more of them. Fought with better weapons so the fatality rate is even more horrific.

And sometimes the enemy is invisible.



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Love's like that

I'VE NEVER BEEN MUCH FOR ROMANCE or outward displays of affection but I do have my moments. Last month, for instance, I surprised my wife with the kind of gift that every woman dreams of. Sure, as tokens of affection go, a wood-splitter is fairly extravagant, but I thought she deserved it. Besides, how many splitting axes can a woman use?

I only mention this so you will excuse my actions yesterday morning when, by complete accident, I uttered the words, "Thank you, my love," as she passed me a hot cup of tea.

The words seemed harmless enough and I thought I might even get away with them.

But then my springer spaniel went and ruined everything by fetching me my slippers. Naturally, this caused me to reply, "Thank you my love," yet again.

The younger fellows might not know this, but women are genetically hardwired to pick up on nuances like this. So, after several minutes of sputtering, my wife verbalized her thoughts on the matter.

"You used the same terms of endearment on me and the dog!" she said, apparently upset at the idea.

"Hold it," I answered. "I think I know where you are going with this and I assure

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you it was just an unfortunate choice of words."

It was true. Usually I refer to the dog as "Pudding Cup."

In any case, there I was with the first crisis of the new year lying squarely in my lap. So, as she sat there simmering, I made an effort to diffuse the situation.

I looked deeply into her eyes and asked, "Hey, how's the wood splitter working out?"

Believe it or not, this too was the wrong approach.

Usually, when I find myself in a situation like this my approach is to lie low and wait out the storm, preferably from a shelter several miles away. But seeing how celibacy wasn't on my list of New Year's resolutions, I decided that further effort would be required.

So, without any hesitation at all, I began a brave campaign designed to sweep her off of her feet. And, this time, it didn't involve an evening at the curling club.

Instead I went on to point out how much more she meant to me than the dog. Guys, take it from me, every now and then it pays to lose your gruff exterior and speak straight from the heart.

"Listen darling, I love you much more than the dog. Sure, she can retrieve ducks like no one's business," I began, as I looked her square in the eyes, "but I'm sure you could too if you put your mind to it."

That one simple truth caused her to regard me in what can only be described as a spellbound silence. Except for the ticking noise that her eye made, of course.

Seeing that I was on the right track, I measured my words carefully and continued.

"Who could forget last autumn when we were walking in the field and you flushed the grouse?" I smiled charmingly. "That, my love, was pure magic. The way you leapt out of the way while I lined it up..."

Countless memories, just like that one flooded back. And, as I recounted them, tears actually welled up in her eyes. But did I stop there? No, this was no time for the faint of heart.

"And here's another thing; I'd far rather share a meal with you than the dog," I announced suavely. "Although, you've got to admit, it is awful funny watching the dog eat peanut butter..."

Call me softhearted. But I just felt that I had to let her hear those overdue words that every woman longs to hear.

Finally, she yelled, "Enough, I can't take it anymore!"

I suppose she was overcome with emotion.

It worked so well that later that night, I got lucky. That's right, the dog brought me my slippers while my wife was in the other room.



pic of the past

AS YOU CAN TELL by the piles of wood outside the Donald Chemical Company, this factory where wood alcohol, charcoal and byproducts were manufactured was once a major employer in the county. The photos was part of a pamphlet used to promote the Haliburton Highlands in very glowing terms. "It hardly seems possible," the booklet of views says, "that one can step on the train at Toronto and in a few short hours be set down in the midst of such magnificence as is to be found in and around the village" of Haliburton. The village's name "lingers in the memory synonomous of all that is beautiful, imposing and inspiring in nature... The atmosphere is bracing, lung-cleansing and enervating."

letters to the editor

Radon testing is important to all

To the Editor:

Re: Radon gas in Haliburton County

Thanks to the *Echo* for helping to spread the word about the very important health issue of radon gas. Given my experience doing radon testing in Haliburton County, I cannot stress enough the importance of having your home or cottage tested.

To date, over 70 per cent of homes or cottages in Haliburton that have been tested contain significantly high radon levels. Of these high tests, all of them are significantly greater than Health Canada's guideline of 200 becquerels/cubic metre.

Our home tested at 670 bq/m³ and it is, so far, the lowest of the high tests. At a level of 200 bq/m³, 11 out of 1,000 never-smokers will get lung cancer; for smokers the risk is eight times greater.

In the near future, Health Canada will be launching a national campaign encouraging all Canadians to test their homes. Given the high levels of uranium here, this is of added importance to Haliburton residents.

Christine Atrill
Highlands Radon Testing Services
Highlands East

Haliburton should support its library

To the Editor:

This will be of interest to those who use and value the Haliburton branch of the public library.

People will applaud the decision of Dysart et al council to build a new library as it is the most patronized library in the county. The present building is too small for the growing demand for service.

Although the public has not been shown the architectural drawings or floor plans, work has begun on the structure at the edge of Head Lake Park.

Minden will also have a new library in 2009.

There a group of interested citizens has banded together to support the library by fundraising for furnishings and other items needed for the interior. Haliburton has no such committee.

There is a reserve fund for this library started by a donation from a library user.

People should know that receipts for tax purposes are issued for sums given to the new Haliburton library.

Michael Barnes, C.M.,
Haliburton

All bylaws should be applied equally

To the Editor:

Are there different standards for enforcing bylaws?

The small gardening business out by Sears is being forced to close because of excessive rules yet, for big businesses the rules are apparently waived.

Surely Rexall didn't follow any "cottage country" guidelines.

Once the bylaws are removed for one building, others want the same deal.

Joan Barnes
Haliburton

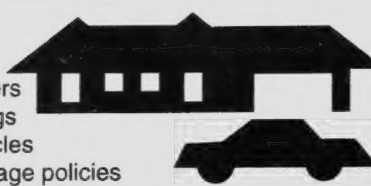
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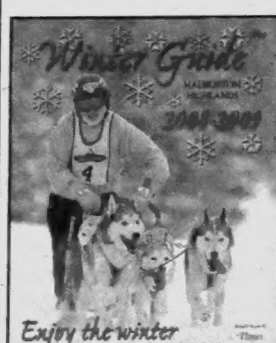
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Highland Cup good for tourism

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keep the crowds away – then the money from ticket sales would augment the money he needs from sponsors.

"We could borrow [the start-up costs] but we'd need the admission money to pay it back," he says.

But an outdoor event in winter has no guarantees. "If it starts raining then we don't have big attendance and it's a big loss."

Not only is cancelling the races, for this year at least, a disappointment for Foyster, but he says it's also a shame that the local economy won't get a financial boost at a traditionally slow time of year.

He says last year's races generated at least \$250,000 for the area, filling hotel rooms and keeping stores, gas stations and restaurants hopping.

"It's a huge event for the county," he says. The winter carnival will create a festive atmosphere in the county but most of the participants will be residents and cottagers. The Highland Cup drew new people into the area, with crowds following the circuit of races throughout the province.

"I want to see the sport grow," says Foyster, who's committed to the long-term viability of the event in Haliburton. "Maybe next year things will be better."

Meanwhile, Foyster and his team of volunteers are continuing with plans to create an outdoor skating rink in front of Rotary Beach in Haliburton. The rink was his contribution to the Frost Festival on the family holiday weekend in February and even though his event has been cancelled he wants to help the winter carnival attract participants.



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There weren't enough sponsors to make it feasible for organizer Harold Foyster to continue with this year's races on Head Lake. He hopes the Highland Cup will return.



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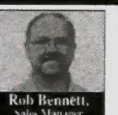
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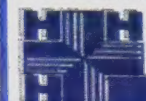
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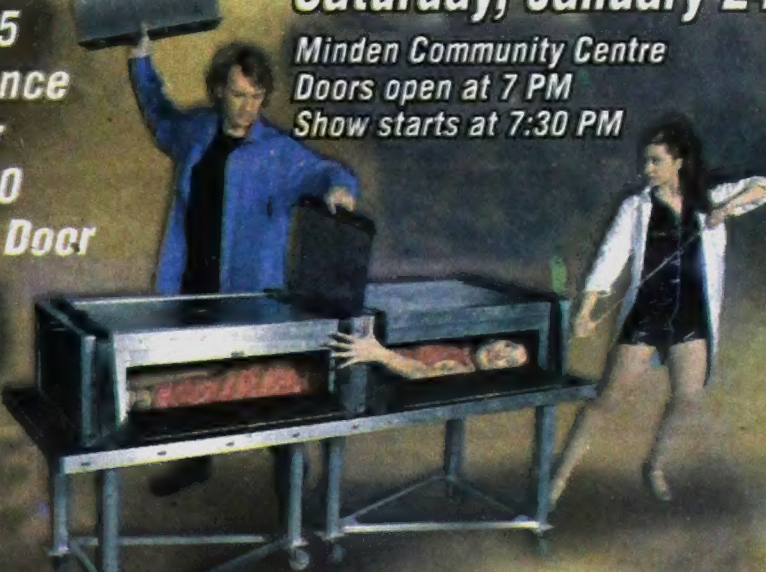
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Last-minute wins not uncommon

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has not only been on plenty of successful teams in his young career, but he's also won his fair share of tight games.

"We've seen a lot of games where it's come down to the last five seconds, the last second," said Chris.

Marie, the founder and owner of Haliburton's Wee Care, admitted that she was a little nervous before the game and was



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

- **DATE:** Monday, February 2nd, 2009
- **TIME:** 5:00 pm
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers in the Municipal Office
135 Maple Ave., Haliburton Ontario

APPLICATIONS:

1. Lands of Jackson and the Estate of Barclay:
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit the creation of a lot for rural residential purposes.
 - Zone change from WR4 to RR-10.
 - Location: Part of Lot 23, Concession 7, Dysart Township (Fred Jones Road).
 - This application is a condition of applications for consent H-012/2008 and H-013/2008.
2. Lands of Harburn Holdings Ltd.:
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit the creation of 10 lots for waterfront residential purposes and to recognize a small wetland area and a small pond. The proposed zoning will restrict the lots from further subdivision.
 - Zone change from RU1L and EP to WR3L, WR5L-2, WR6L-3, WR6L-4, EP and LR.
 - Location: Part of Lots 6, 7 and 8, Concessions 11 and 12, Guilford Township (south-east shore of Lippy Lake).
 - This application is a condition of draft approval for subdivision file 46T-07-001 (County of Haliburton).

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of Dysart et al before the proposed zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Municipality of Dysart et al to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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FURTHER INFORMATION: including the draft by-law is available from the Planning Department at the Municipality Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Dated at the Township of Dysart, this 6th day of January, 2009.

Patricia Martin, B.E.S., MCIP, RPP
Municipal Planner



MATT JAMES/Echo

Cody Hodgson and his Team Canada linemate Jordan Eberle do a keep-away drill during a practice in Ottawa on Sunday.

glad that she wasn't the one who had to go and play. But it wasn't the only time she was a little nervous.

Just before Tavares scored the Canadians' second shootout goal Chris heard his wife say, "I'm not watching."

She was a little more nervous because Cody - who was the NHL's 10th draft pick last year - was slated to shoot third in the shootout. Fortunately his efforts weren't needed - Eberle and Tavares each roofed goals passed the Russian net minder.

When asked if the games got tougher to watch as Cody came up the ranks the Hodgsons say it's been quite the

opposite.

"This year's a little easier," said Chris, who's now the president of the Ontario Mining Association.

"You always just want him to do well and to be able to play his best," said Marie, who was often her four children's chauffeur to minor hockey games. (Cody has an older brother and two younger sisters, all of whom play hockey.)

Having seen Cody play with the Vancouver Canucks in a couple of preseason games and watching a number of Team Canada games has made things easier.

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON RAIL TRAIL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: January 22, 2009
Time: 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Location: Haliburton County Office, Minden

The goal of the public meeting is to let the community of Haliburton County Rail Trail users and potential users have a voice in regards to the future of the Rail Trail. Attendees may request to present at the meeting. Presenters will be allotted 5 minutes to speak.

The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network on behalf of the Haliburton County Rail Trail Management Committee will be accepting letters from those unable to attend the meeting and presentation requests sent "Attn: 5 Year Review" until January 14, 2009. Letters can be sent via:

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For more information please phone 705-489-4049 or email info@trailsandtours.com.

Copies of the Rail Trail Master Plan are available at the Trails and Tours Office in Carnarvon, the Haliburton County Office in Minden and on-line at: www.haliburtoncounty.ca

Family praises Hockey Canada's commitment

from page 10

"We've learned a bit more about the game too," said Chris.

"Like what coaches would want the kids to do."

In previous games the Hodgsons didn't always understand why the players, or their son, did certain things at certain times during a game.

"You wonder why he's not skating into the end or trying to dangle around someone," said Chris. "They've got a system they want them to play so they're in good position, so you know a little more about how the coach wants the team to play."

He said understanding the game takes a little pressure off the parents. "It's a lot of fun," said Chris. "The parents [of the other players] are great people. It's a good envi-

ronment. Hockey Canada puts on a great program."

Hockey Canada's program of excellence, which Chris calls "fantastic," starts with the under-17 team, moves to the under-18, and is completed with the junior program. It teaches the players about all aspects of the game including respect and conduct on and off the ice.

"Sometimes the kids are gone for a month but we know they're in good hands," said Chris. "And Hockey Canada puts a lot of preparation into how they approach the game."

The Hodgsons believe the hours spent going through videos, explaining various strategies to the kids, and being in the company of professionals have prepared Cody very well.

"They realized early on when they weren't always getting to the level that they wanted that it's just as im-

portant to have a good team off the ice as it is for coaching on the ice during the games," said Marie. "It isn't just gearing up for a game on the ice, it's all the preparation that goes into it as well."

So when Cody made the team this year the Hodgsons agreed they were "just really going to enjoy this and have fun."

And fun they've been having, especially Chris who teased Cody about the Gatorade commercials he was interviewed for, which have received a lot of airtime.

"You want a pop or anything?" Chris asked his son as they chatted after Cody's afternoon skate on Sunday. "Or a Gatorade, is that your favourite drink now?"

Canada's gold-medal game against Sweden was after the Echo's press time. Please see tomorrow's *Minden Times* for a story about the game.

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- January 9: Wilberforce Legion Branch #624 Potluck and Jam Session – Potluck starts at 7 p.m. and the jam session starts around 8:30 p.m. Come out and enjoy some great dishes and music after.
- January 9: Join Community Care's Diners Club at Wilberforce Legion. Pre-registration required. 457-2941.
- January 9: Join Community Care in the drop-in centre for Cribbage. 457-2941.
- January 11: Minden District Fur Harvesters Annual Workshop from 9 am to 4 pm – Come and join us at the Minden Arena on January 11th. Donations to local food bank would be appreciated.
- January 12: Taoist Tai Chi Society - Taoist Tai Chi Society(R) - new classes beginning in Haliburton, Minden and Wilberforce. Please call Brenda at 447-2148 for more information. Taoist Tai Chi(R) is a gentle form of exercise which helps people of all ages to improve their balance, flexibility and strength.
- January 12: Join Community Care's Aquasize program. Pre-registration required. 457-2941
- January 15: Guided Meditation continues at the Rails End Gallery – Facilitated by Ryan Dawson every Thursday evening 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Everyone welcome, admission is by donation. Positive visualizations to quiet the mind, calm the body and stir the spirit.
- January 17: Minden Agricultural Society's General Meeting and Dinner from 5 to 8:30 p.m. - Join us at the Minden United Church on Newcastle Street. Tickets are only \$15 and are available through Mary at 854-0335
- January 19: Wilberforce Heritage Guild Annual Meeting – Will be held at the Lloyd Watson Centre at 7 p.m. All welcomed. Refreshments
- January 22: Guided Meditation continues at the Rails End Gallery – Facilitated by Ryan Dawson every Thursday evening 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Everyone welcome, admission is by donation. Positive visualizations to quiet the mind, calm the body and stir the spirit.
- January 24: Teachings Round the Moon Calendar at the Full Moon – Learn about the moon calendar as Alice Miller has produced a unique 2008 calendar based on the moon cycles and the art of her father, Native artist, Gordon Miller. Join her on the Full Moon at 1032 Cameron Lane, off the Barry Line for a fascinating evening in which she'll share Native stories, symbolism and traditions depicted in her father's art. \$20 includes a calendar. Call Gaia Centre near West Guilford to register 754-2427.
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- January 30: 2009 Taylor Cup Pond Hockey Championships – 4-on-4 pond hockey tournament from January 30 to February 1st at Bayview Wildwood Resort on Sparrow Lake, just north of Orillia in support of the Princess Margaret Hospital Cancer Research Fund. For more info, directions and registration visit www.taylorcup.ca
- February 5: Guided Meditation continues at the Rails End Gallery – Facilitated by Ryan Dawson every Thursday evening 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Everyone welcome, admission is by donation. Positive visualizations to quiet the mind, calm the body and stir the spirit.
- February 7: Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament – 8:30 to 4:30 at the Dysart Arena in Haliburton and S.G Nesbitt Arena in Minden. Scotty Morrison is former NHL Referee-in-Chief and former Chief Executive Officer of the Hockey Hall of Fame. \$550 per team-payable in Advance. Four Divisions: Open, Over 35, Over 55 and Women. The tournament special guest is Tom Harrington, a three-time Gemini nominee for best sports broadcaster and CBC News' voice on sports news and issues, reporting for The National and Canada Now. Rules and registration forms available on the Community Care website www.communitycarehaliburton.com or contact Terry or Roxanne at 457-2941. All proceeds support Community Care.
- February 7: Awakening the Dreamer, Chargin the Dream Symposium! Minden Community Centre from 5 to 9:30 p.m. - With a light supper. For more information contact, Gaia Centre for Eco-Spirituality and Sustainable Work, Carol Kilby 754-2427 or gaiacentre@sympatico.ca

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NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Centre rings in the new year

The band Township Tradition played to 70 people who attended the Centre's New Year's Eve dance of December 31, 2008. People were very pleased with the event, the food, the music, the chance to chat while not-too-loud music was played, and of course to dance. The board had met on December 24 to ensure the success of the party. Emile Duchene did a last-minute roofing repair because of leaking tiles in the main hall.

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

Once again it was great to see the colourful light display at the Morgans' on Pine Lake. All the lights make such a difference when weather is dark or miserable.

Kay and Perry Morrison had their daughter Jean home for Christmas. Gerald, Barb and family arrived for a few days later in the holiday time.

Louise Cooper spent the holiday with the Madden family in Manotick.

Louise van den Hoogen stayed with her mother Betsie Kanters at the nursing home in Uxbridge. Nicole (Kanters) Foster of Uxbridge and her sons, Ryan and Adam, were here with Louise and Marlene for New Year's and had the fun of

skating on a rink on Grass Lake.

Darla Searle and her husband Steve of Cranberry Lake were busy – busy with Steve's family, Marilyn (his mom) and sister Karen Searle of Oshawa and Lindsay on the 25th and 26th and on 27th and 28th, the hosting of the Towns family, Darla's mother, Joan, with Janet and Joshua of Oshawa and Campbellford. Darla is accomplishing her teacher's

training this school year so is to be congratulated on her efforts.

Congratulations to Kristen and Josh Thompson on the birth of son, Mason James on December 30th in Peterborough Hospital, weighing in at 7 lbs, 1 oz. Happy grandparents are Lynda and Shane Sisson and Janet Burley and Stephen Thompson.

On a sadder note, Hazel Titus, a long-time Guilford resident, but more recently of Extensicare, died on December 21st, 2008. Our sympathy is extended to her daughter Fay Robichaud and family and to her son Mickey Titus who once upon a time was a pupil of mine in Grade 2.

Best wishes for Phrona Sisson's as she recovers back to health in Haliburton Hospital.

Bob Hayward deeply engrained in community

MEL SMITH

Wilberforce Legion

Family and friends were saddened by the loss of dear friend and comrade, Bob Hayward. Bob put up a gallant front; however, he finally succumbed to illness on Sunday, January 4, 2009.

Bob was an outstanding community volunteer who was always more than willing to assist. He worked on many projects at the Wilberforce Legion (past executive member), Harcourt Community Centre and was a long-term member of the Wilberforce Community Volunteer Police Association.

Bob's gaming skills will be missed. He

was always ready and willing to partner up for a game of cribbage or euchre and always proved to be a most worthy and challenging opponent. Bob was an ardent lover of nature and a very avid bird watcher. He enjoyed hunting and fishing as well.

Bob always wore a winning smile, had a great sense of humour and his most infectious hearty laughter often filled a room.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Bob's devoted wife and best friend, Betty, and to his loving children and grandchildren.

There will be a memorial for Bob at the Wilberforce Legion at 1 p.m. on Sunday, January 10, 2009.

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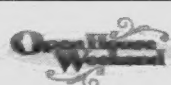
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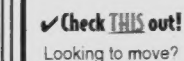
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Announcements

Deaths

KELLETT, Dorothy Jane (nee Potts) -
(July 12, 1934 - December 31, 2008)
Died peacefully at her home in Richmond Hill surrounded by family. Beloved daughter of the late Martha Jane Potts (nee Clarke) and John Thomas Victor Potts, both of the Village of Haliburton, Ontario. Devoted wife of the late Stanley George Adolphus "Sonny" Kellett. Loving mother of Larry (Dolly), Peggy (Jim) Vidocz, and Brian. Loving grandmother of Tadd (Debbi), Kevin (Amanda), Simon, Evan, and great-grandmother to Justice David Kellett. Fondly remembered by her cherished first cousins; Donald "Joe" (Jean) Iles, Valerie Moore, Dorell Iles, Doreen (Grant) Rae and families, Denny Procter, and by the extensive Kellett family. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Saint Mary's Anglican Church, 10030 Yonge St. Richmond Hill, Ontario on Monday, January 5, 2009 from 11 am until the time of the Funeral Service at 12 o'clock noon. Reception to follow in the Wrixon Hall at the church. Spring Memorial Service at Monk's followed by interment at the Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre "Odette Wing" would be greatly appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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December 27, 2008

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Attention Parents & Grandparents

If your
BABY
was born
in **2008**
it's time to
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November 24, 2008
8lbs 13 ozs, 22 inches.
in Lindsay
(Ross Memorial)
Craig and Erin Sisco of
Pefferlaw Ontario.

Time is
running
out!

See details
inside this
week's paper.

Call 457-1037
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Marriages

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Attention Newlyweds,
Parents & Grandparents

If your Wedding took
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to show those wonderful
photos off!

WEDDINGS



**Nicole Sisco
&
Jacob Rauche**

Saturday,
September 13th,
2008

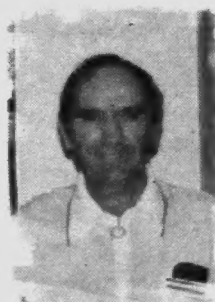
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Obituaries

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Michael J. Biagi Sr.

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Extendicare - Haliburton on Tuesday evening, December 23, 2008 in his 89th year. Beloved husband of the late Carmela "Connie" Biagi (nee Boccabella). Loving father of Richard Biagi (Sally) of Toronto, Michael of Haliburton, Larry Worden of Toronto, and David Mooney (Carol) of Lindsay. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Michael, Jennifer, Carla, Gregory, Cathy, Mark, Jason, Jesse, Anthony, Jason and his great grandchildren Michael, Ryan, Aidan, Heather, Jenna, Jordan, Benjamin, Julian, Adrian, Tommy, Isabella, Matthew, Lindsay and Caroline. Predeceased by his brother Ralph and his sister Vittoria Formica and by his son Tom. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews.

Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends are invited to visit with the family at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario - (705) 457-9209 on Wednesday afternoon, December 31, 2008 from 1 o'clock until time of Memorial Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. Interment later St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to St. Anthony's Future's Fund would be appreciated by the family.

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Announcements

Celebrate your bundle of joy in the classified section of the Haliburton Echo



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Helen Isabella Smith

(Formerly of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully on Friday morning, December 26, 2008 at the Quinte Health Care, Belleville in her 87th year. Beloved wife of the late Howard Edward Smith. Loving mother of Robert Smith & Skye Ireland. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Angie, Christopher, Hawley, Natalie and Maygan. Dear sister of Jean Frazer and Earnie. Predeceased by her parents Clarence and Allie Miller, and her sister Dorothy. Also lovingly remembered by her nieces and nephews and their families. Helen was born on September 7, 1922, in New Toronto,

Ontario. Howard & Helen were married on May 23, 1953 and resided in New Toronto for many years before moving to the Haliburton area where they lived for over 20 years. Helen worked for Bell Canada, York/Finch Hospital and Weall & Cullen Nurseries. Helen was a member of the Haliburton Curling Club and enjoyed her gardening.

Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends may visit with the family at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, January 3, 2009 from 1 o'clock until time of Memorial Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. Rev. Faun Harriman officiating. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Alzheimer's Society or the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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Geoffrey Hutchinson

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Wednesday evening, December 31, 2008 in his 79th year. He leaves behind his beloved wife Jean (nee McLeod), his children, grandchildren, his sister Anne, his extended family and friends. Geoff was born in Kirkbystephen, England and was the son of the late Larry & Doris Hutchinson (nee Anderson). He came to Canada in 1949 and spent many years working in the Toronto area as a Journeyman Plumber and was a member of Union, Local 46. It was when Geoff & Jean moved to

Haliburton, on glorious Eagle Lake, that Geoff was able to enjoy the passion and fun he found in everyday life. Whether it was his unshakeable belief that there had to be a big fish to catch in Eagle Lake, or that the Leafs would make a come back, his nightly sunset cruises brought Geoff great pleasure. Geoff loved Haliburton County and spent the last twenty-five years making it his true home.

Remembrance Gathering

A Private Remembrance Gathering was held at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) or charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

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Baker Murray Linkert, known for his good humour, hard work and Christmas cakes, passed away on Friday, January 2, 2009. The photo is by Janet Barker, who bought Linkert Country Bakery from the Wilberforce resident several years ago.

Wilberforce's famous baker known for his dedication to his craft

Many in the community are saddened by the death of Murray Linkert. Murray died peacefully at the hospital in Haliburton on Friday, January 2, 2009. He was in his 88th year. Since the death of his wife Helen in November 2008, Murray had been in hospital and for a short time in a nursing home in Cannington.

Murray and his brother Jack and their families have resided here since the late 1950s, coming from the Hamilton area. They have always

been active business people mainly as bakers. Some excellent pictures of Murray and the history of his famous Linkert Christmas Cake were included in the recent Season's Greetings supplement of the *Echo* in an article about Janet Barker's Linkert Country Bakery.

Condolences are extended to Murray's family and friends. There will be no funeral service.

The Loop Troupe is presently planning for a spring production. Recent offstage involvement of members has included the installation of the stage extension and curtains for the school concert and the *Home to the Highlands* musical cabaret. They have also been willing participants in the Santa Claus Parade and the Thatcher concert.

The annual meeting of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild on Monday January 19 will include the review of the actions of the organization

in 2008. The meeting will be held at the Lloyd Watson Centre lounge beginning at 7 p.m. All welcome. Refreshments. Come out and support our Red Cross Outpost Historic Site and the people who operate it.

The New Year's Eve program at the Harcourt Community Chapel was a family event. It included special

music, refreshments and fellowship as they welcomed in 2009.

We wish a speedy return to better health for Sam Rivers who has been in hospital.

Also to Beryl Rutter and Iona Fevreau, may your arms heal rapidly and well. And to others who are ailing may you soon be feeling better.

As the trails improve after the recent thaw it is good to see the snowmobilers stopping in the village for food and fuel. We hear good comments about how well the trails in this area are maintained. The sleds certainly enjoy hearty meals at the restaurants. Now wouldn't it be good if local folks who can afford it would also patronize these businesses. How can they survive in winter without the support of the people who live here? Instead of sitting at home and worrying about the economy, why not enjoy a good meal or snack at one of our pleasant local restaurants. Even a coffee or hot chocolate with a friend or two would get you out of the house and help stimulate the local economy as well as your mind and body.

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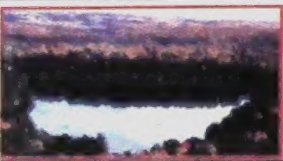


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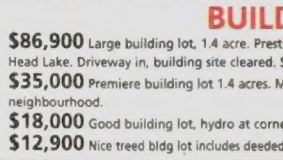


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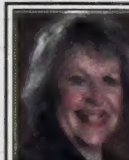


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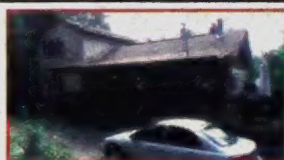


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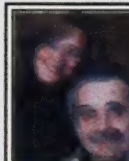


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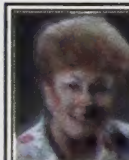


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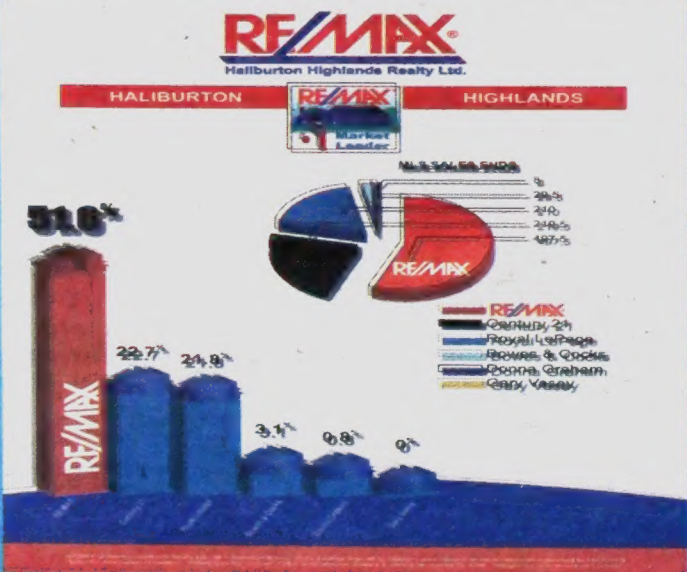


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